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Rector's measures relating to fees associated with studies in connection with Act No. 67/2022 Coll., on measures in the field of education in connection with the armed conflict in the territory of Ukraine

I.

Introductory provisions

- 1) Pursuant to Act No. 67/2022 Coll., of 17 March 2022, on measures in the field of education in connection with the armed conflict on the territory of Ukraine caused by the invasion of the Russian Federation troops (hereinafter referred to as "Act No. 67/2022 Coll."), Section 8(1)(c) and (d), the Rector of a public higher education institution may
 - a) decide to exempt a candidate for studies from the fee for acts related to the assessment of the fulfilment of the conditions for admission to studies pursuant to Section 48(7) of Act No. 111/1998 Coll., on Higher Education Institutions, as amended (hereinafter referred to as the "Higher Education Act"). The candidate must fulfil the conditions under Act No. 65/2022 Coll., on certain measures in connection with the armed conflict on the territory of Ukraine caused by the invasion of the Russian Federation (hereinafter referred to as "Act No. 65/2022 Coll.") and Act No. 67/2022 Coll.;
 - b) decide on the exemption of the student from the fee pursuant to Section 58(2), (3) or (4) of the Higher Education Act if the student has fulfilled the conditions specified in Act No. 65/2022 Coll. and Act No. 67/2022 Coll.
- 3) The condition for exemption from the fees referred to in paragraph 1 is that the candidate or student is a foreigner who has been granted temporary protection in accordance with Act No. 65/2022 Coll. (hereinafter referred to as the "foreigner") or is a citizen of Ukraine (Section 8(3) of Act No. 67/2022 Coll.). Temporary protection means the authorization to stay in the territory of the Czech Republic pursuant to the Act on the Temporary Protection of Foreigners (No. 221/2003 Coll.) for the purpose of granting temporary protection in the territory of the Czech Republic following Council Decision (EU) 2022/382 of 4 March 2022) .
- 4) In view of the above, the Rector of VSB-TUO has decided as follows.

II.

Exemption from the fee according to Section 48 (7) of the Higher Education Act

The fee for acts related to the assessment of the fulfilment of the condition for admission to study pursuant to Section 48(7) of the Higher Education Act in the case of the assessment of the foreign education of a candidate for study at the VSB-TUO pursuant to Section 48(4)(d) or Section 48(5)(c) of the Higher Education Act set by the Statutes of VSB-TUO in Article 9(10) is CZK 600.

**In view of the Rector's authority under Act No. 67/2022 Coll.
the Rector exempts**

all candidates for study at VSB-TUO who are foreigners or citizens of Ukraine from the fee for acts related to the assessment of their foreign education, as stipulated in Article 9(10) of the Statutes of VSB-TUO.

III.

Exemption of candidates and students from the fee pursuant to Section 58 of the Higher Education Act

A The fee for acts related to the admission procedure (§ 58(2))

The fee for acts related to the admission procedure to study in the Bachelor's, Master's and doctoral degree programmes in all languages of instruction set by the Statutes of the VSB-TUO in Article 9(2) is CZK 500.

In view of the Rector's authority under Act No. 67/2022 Coll. the Rector exempts

all candidates for study at VSB-TUO who are foreigners or citizens of Ukraine from the fee for acts related to the admission procedure for studies in the Bachelor's, Master's and doctoral degree programmes in all languages of instruction.

B The fee for extended studies (§ 58(3))

For a student of VSB-TUO who studies longer than the standard period of study increased by one year in a Bachelor's or Master's degree programme, VSB-TUO shall, in accordance with Article 9(4) of the Statute of VSB-TUO, set a study fee in accordance with Section 58(3) of the Higher Education Act. However, the recognised period of parenthood shall first be deducted from the total period of study calculated in accordance with this paragraph. The fee is payable for each six months of study commenced and the amount of the fee is determined in relation to the length of the study period specified in Article 9(4) of the Statutes of VSB-TUO. The decision on the assessment of the fee is issued by the Dean of the faculty at which the student is enrolled in the relevant degree programme.

In view of the Rector's authority under Act No. 67/2022 Coll. the Rector exempts

all students of VSB-TUO who are foreigners or citizens of Ukraine from the fee associated with their studies according to Section 58(3) of the Higher Education Act until 31 March 2023.

C The fee for study in a foreign language (§ 58 (4))

In accordance with Article 9(7) of the Statutes of VSB-TUO, VSB-TUO sets a fee for students to study in a degree programme conducted in a foreign language, which amounts to CZK 50,000 per semester in the Bachelor's degree programme, CZK 50,000 in the follow-up Master's degree programme and CZK 500 in the doctoral degree programme. The amount of fees is set out in Appendix 4 to the Statutes of VSB-TUO.

In view of the Rector's authority under Act No. 67/2022 Coll. the Rector exempts

all students of VSB-TUO who are foreigners or citizens of Ukraine from the fee associated with their studies according to Section 58(4) of the Higher Education Act until 31 March 2023.

IV. Final provisions

- 1 The deans of the Faculties are obliged to take into account the Rector's decision referred to in Article II and Article III, Part A in the Conditions of the Admission Procedure and to publish this decision without delay.
2. The deans of the faculties are obliged to take into account the Rector's decision referred to in Article III and not to assess a study-related fee to the students affected by the decision. If a student has already been assessed a fee for an extended study (Section 58(3) of the Higher Education Act) after Act No. 67/2022 Coll. became effective, i.e. after 21 March 2022, the faculty is obliged to send the student information about the possibility of appealing against the assessment of the fee, with the proviso that the student will subsequently be exempted by the Rector from paying the fee.

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